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EO 11652: NA  
TAGS: PINT CSCE SHUM RO  
SUBJECT: ROMANIAN DISSENT

REF: MUNICH 0850

1. EMBOFF SPOKE TO GOMA MARCH 24. LATTER CONFIRMED THAT HE HAD BEEN VISITED ONE EVENING LAST WEEK BY DRUNKEN EX-BOXER WHO WAS ABUSIVE AND A GREAT DEAL OF TROUBLE TO GET RID OF, BUT NOTHING MORE THAN SLIGHT SCHUFFLE APPARENTLY OCCURRED. GOMA WAS CERTAINLY NOT "BEATEN UP" AND APPEARED IN PERFECT CONDITION. (FYI: EMBOFF ALSO GAVE ABOVE INFO TO UPI BELGRADE BASED JOURNALIST RICHARD GROSS WHEN HE CALLED CONCERNING SAME REPORT MARCH 24). GOMA BELIEVES EVENT WAS STAGED BY SECURITATE. THIS IS CERTAINLY POSSIBLE AND PERHAPS EVEN LIKELY. HOWEVER, BEST EXAMPLE THAT GOR APPROACH TO GOMA REMAINS MOST FLEXIBLE IS APPEARANCE IN MARCH 24 ROMANIA LITERARA OF AUTHOR'S FIRST ARTICLE (ON EARTHQUAKE) SINCE HIS RETURN FROM WEST. HE HAS ALSO NOW RECEIVED A SUBSTANTIAL ADVANCE ON FORTHCOMING PUBLICATION OF HIS WIFE'S TRANSLATIONS OF BALZAC.

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2. WE CANNOT CONFIRM INCIDENT INVOLVING VIANU'S SON. HOWEVER, WE UNDERSTAND FROM GOMA THAT VIANU'S PASSPORT APPLICATION IS BEING EXPEDITED BY GOR. ACTION TAKEN IN HOPES OF PUTTING LID ON ANY FURTHER COMMENT CONCERNING DETENTION OF INDIVIDUALS IN MENTAL INSTITUTIONS, A SUBJECT ABOUT WHICH VIANU APPARENTLY POSSESSES MUCH INFORMATION.

3. INFORMATION ON NEGOTIESCU IS REPORTEDLY CORRECT. GOMA HAD BEEN TOLD (AND HAD NOT YET BEEN ABLE TO VERIFY) THAT NEGOTIESCU SO FAR HAD ONLY BEEN VISITED BY AN INDIVIDUAL WHO ATTEMPTED PUT HIM IN COMPROMISING POSITION.

4. COMMENT: GOMA AND MANY OF THOSE AROUND HIM HAVE SUDDENTLY ATTAINED A TYPE OF CELEBRITY STATUS HERE. GOMA HIMSELF RECEIVES NUMEROUS VISITORS EACH DAY, MANY WHO WISH TO CONGRATULATE HIM, OTHERS WHO WISH TO SIGN HIS MANIFESTO, SOME WHO DO NOT AGREE WITH HIS ACTIONS. GIVEN THIS NOTORIETY AND ACCESS, INCIDENTS SUCH AS DESCRIBED IN REFTEL ARE BOUND TO OCCUR, AND THE SECURITATE MAY WELL HAVE A HAND IN MANY ALTHOUGH PROBABLY NOT ALL OF THEM. NEVERTHELESS, GOR'S GENERAL APPROACH TO GOMA HAS CLEARLY NOT CHANGED (E.G. ALTHOUGH OBVIOUSLY UNDER SURVEILLANCE, HE IS ABLE TO TRAVEL AND COMMUNICATE FREELY , AS THREE RECENT VISITS TO THIS EMBASSY HAVE SHOWN). IT IS THIS ASPECT OF THE GOMA "STORY" WHICH WE FEEL RATES MOST ATTENTION, NOT THE USUALLY EXAGGERATED INCIDENTS OF WHICH REFTEL IS AN EXAMPLE.  
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